

FSAC Meeting Minutes DRAFT- 4/8/2021

Present: Paula Lane (chair), Mary Wegmann (recorder), Victor Madrid, Stefan Kiesbye, Richard Whitkus, Deborah Roberts, Angelo Camillo, Emily Clark

Guest: Elaine Newman (CFA)

Absent: Thomas Whitley

- Meeting called to order at 1pm
- Approval of 3/18/21 minutes
- Minutes for future meetings
 - 4/22- Rich
 - 5/ 6- Angelo
 - 5/20- ?
- Agenda approved with the following changes
 - Time certain for Chair Selection and Removal Policy Draft- 1:15
 - Dept. RTP Criteria Revisions
 - Add English and Library
 - The Department of Business Administration will submit their RTP revision in Fall 2021, because the new RTP policy will not take effect until 2025.
 - Paula is not accepting additional revisions this semester

Standing Reports:

- No updates

Old Business Items:

- Chair Selection and Removal Policy Draft, continue review
 - The CFA drafted this document for FSAC to review and bring to the Senate.
 - Rich, Paula, and Deborah met to review and edit the document.
 - Elaine Newman (CFA) joined FSAC to review and discuss the edits Rich, Paula, and Deborah proposed.
 - Discussion points included timelines for electing chairs, involvement of adjunct faculty in the election process, and how detailed the section on removing a chair should be.
 - Paula will upload the final draft to the FSAC drive. FSAC members will vote to approve the policy at the next meeting and aim to present it to the Senate before the end of the semester.
- Retreat Rights Document Final Review
 - Rich, Paula, and Deborah met to compile existing information about retreat rights into one document. There are no new policies or procedures so this document does not need to go through URTP or Senate.
 - We have an outstanding question to the Senate regarding retreat rights in the RTP revision documents. The current policy says that URTP is involved in this

process, however, it is not currently followed. FSAC is requesting that the Senate weigh in on whether this should remain in the RTP policy.

- Deborah will help finalize the document and Paula will bring it to Ex Comm next week and clarify that this is a procedural document, not new policy, that will help us carry out the CO's request for this information.

New Business:

- Dept. RTP Criteria Revisions
 - We will hold a special meeting on 4/15 from 1-3 to review the criteria revisions collectively. People can attend as they are available. Paula will send a Zoom invitation.
- AS Resolution and Administration Response to Teaching of Sensitive Materials
 - The Senate approved the AFS/PDS statement at the last meeting. Since then, Associated Students wrote a resolution condemning the document and several administrators and DSS have issued a letter supporting the AS resolution. These documents have been shared with the Senate and Paula will present them at the 4/8 Senate meeting and ask that they be added to the agenda.
 - DSS expressed that they had not been consulted on the final Senate resolution and does not support the resolution.
 - AS is requesting that faculty add information to the syllabus if potentially triggering content will be covered in the course. This could lead to a slippery slope where every syllabus contains this statement.
- Excellence in Teaching Awards
 - The previous award winner has a conflict of interest and will not participate. Victor will serve as the student.
 - Paula will create a rubric and all FSAC members will score the dossiers before the next meeting. We will review the rankings and select one awardee at the next meeting.
- 21/22 Chair
 - We will elect a new FSAC chair at the next meeting